

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0080] with the following amended paragraph:

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[0080] In preferred embodiments of the invention, a ~~pre-)thesis~~ prosthesis is moveable between an expanded position and an unexpanded or deflated position, and any position therebetween. An exemplary embodiment of this feature of the invention is shown in Figure 6. In some embodiments of the invention, it may be desirable provide a prosthesis that moves only from fully collapsed to fully expanded. In other embodiments of the invention, it may be desirable to expand the prosthesis, then collapse or partially collapse the prosthesis. Such capability is beneficial to the surgeon to properly position or re-position the prosthesis. In accordance with the invention, the prosthesis may be self-expanding; or may be expandable using an inflatable device, such as a balloon or the like. Even further in accordance with the present invention, there is provided a delivery apparatus for a self-expanding prosthesis. As shown in Figure 7, the delivery apparatus may include an outer sheath, comprising an elongated tubular member having distal and proximal ends, and an inner shaft located coaxially within the outer sheath, the shaft having a distal end and a proximal end. The distal end of the shaft may further include at least two grooves disposed thereon. The flanges of the first prosthesis may be configured to releasably engage the grooves of a portion of the delivery device.